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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the office action dated November 23, 1998, Applicants provide the following amendment and remarks.

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 7 and 27 as follows:

1. (Once amended) A method of treating an [inflammatory disorder] antibiotic induced diarrheal disease, comprising administering a pharmaceutically effective amount of IL-11.

(Once amended) The method of claim [2] 1, wherein the [disorder is] antibiotic induced diarrheal [diseases (Clostridium difficile) disease is caused by Clostridium difficile.

(Once amended) The method of claim [2] 1, wherein the amount of IL-11 is between

1 and $100\mu g/kg$ body weight.

Please cancel claims 2-5 and 8-26 without prejudice.

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